

**Idaho Supreme Court
Millennium Fund
Request
Fiscal Year 2008**

Long-Term Implications of Early Substance Abuse

- Tobacco use among adolescents is a powerful predictor of other drug use.
- For adolescent males, alcohol use is a strong predictor of progression into the use of other drugs.
- The age when adolescents first start using alcohol, tobacco, and illicit drugs is also a reliable predictor of later alcohol and drug problems.

Robert Wood Johnson Report

Intervention Diverts Kids from Court System

- Intervention occurs when a child has become a law violator or whose improper behavior has become a public concern
 - Status Offender Programs
 - Youth Court
- Requires Judicial, Juvenile Justice system and community involvement

Youth Courts

- Youth Court allows first time underage tobacco and alcohol offenders and teen volunteers to participate in a jury trial process to determine the penalties for the referred offenders using teen volunteers as attorneys and jury members.
- Teen volunteers and offenders grow in many aspects of life by gaining perspective about substance abuse, Idaho's judicial system and gain respect for themselves and their community.
- Upon completion of Youth Court no Court record is maintained of the offense.

National Institute on Drug Abuse

- Lessons From Research

- (See Handout)
- 16 principles to guide program development to prevent child and teen substance abuse
 - 1. Programs should enhance protective factors and reverse or reduce risk factors.
 - 2. Programs should address all forms of drug abuse, alone or in combination.

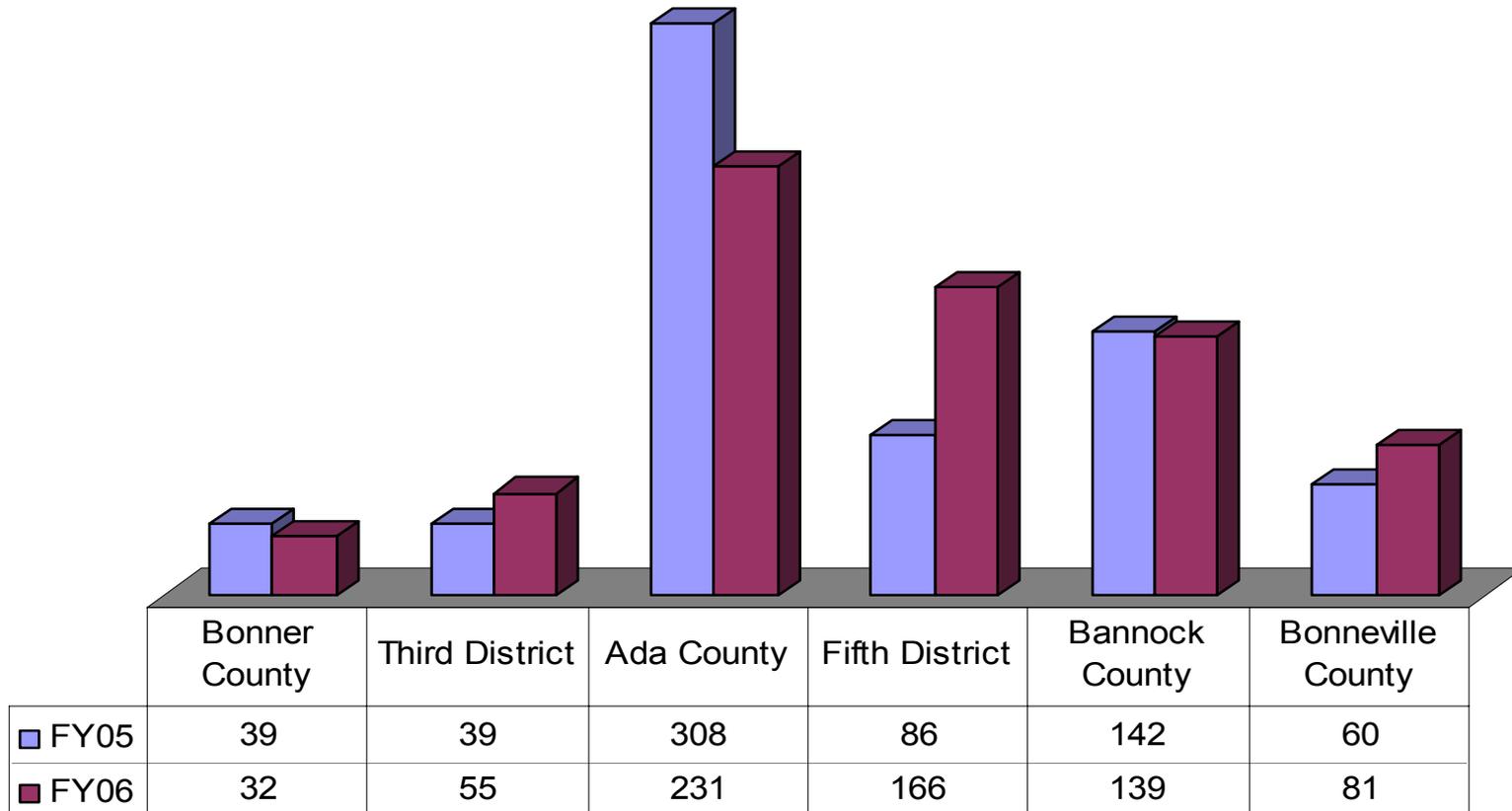
Youth Courts Prevents Substance Abuse

- Enhance protective factors
 - Social Interaction
 - Positive Peer Influence
- Reduce risk factors
 - Drug resistance skills
 - Reinforce anti-drug attitudes

Youth Court Testimonials

- Erin Griffard
- Haily Hatfield
- Cody Locke
- Amanda Weaver

Idaho's Youth Courts



Total FY05 674

Total FY06 705

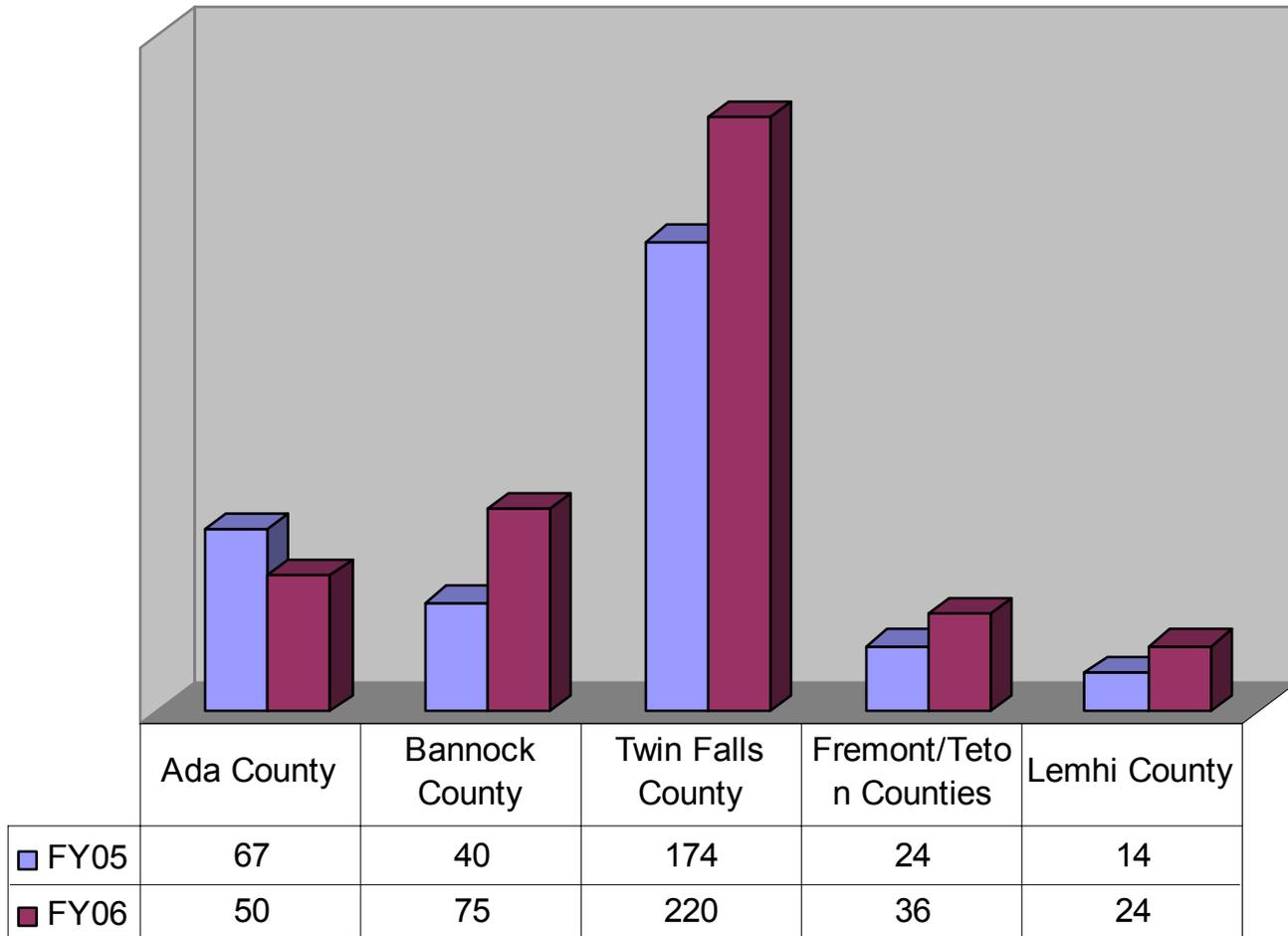
Status Offender Program

- Intervene with youth who have committed a status offense; an act illegal due to the status as a minor
- Work with the family to identify issues and areas of risk including tobacco and substance abuse concerns
- Provide resources to the offender and family to enhance relationships and enhance skills of the youth

Status Offender Services Prevents Substance Abuse

- Enhance protective factors
 - Encourage Family Bonding
 - Support proper school behavior
- Reduce risk factors
 - Smoking cessation classes
 - Substance abuse testing (Including nicotine testing)
- Brightest Star – Lemhi Parent Project

Idaho's Status Offender Programs



Total FY05 319

Total FY06 405

FY08 Request

MILLENNIUM FUND - IDAHO SUPREME COURT FISCAL YEAR 08 PROPOSED ALLOCATION

	<u>Personnel</u>	<u>Direct Services</u>	<u>Operating</u>	<u>Travel</u>	<u>Total</u>
Youth Courts					
Bonner County	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Third District	\$ 11,000	\$ 1,925	\$ 5,785	\$ 290	\$ 19,000
Ada County	\$ 14,900	\$ 3,700	\$ 400	\$ -	\$ 19,000
Fifth District	\$ 14,900	\$ 3,700	\$ 400	\$ -	\$ 19,000
Bannock County	\$ 12,800	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 12,800
Bonneville County	\$ 13,000	\$ -	\$ 1,000	\$ -	\$ 14,000
Total	\$ 66,600	\$ 9,325	\$ 7,585	\$ 290	\$ 83,800

	<u>Personnel</u>	<u>Direct Services</u>	<u>Operating</u>	<u>Travel</u>	<u>Total</u>
Status Offender Services					
Ada County	\$ 50,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 50,000
Bannock County SOS	\$ 27,000	\$ 18,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 45,000
Twin Falls SOS	\$ 36,000	\$ 11,000	\$ 7,500	\$ 5,500	\$ 60,000
Fremont / Teton	\$ 6,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 6,000
Lemhi County Parent Project	\$ 7,000	\$ -	\$ 2,000	\$ -	\$ 9,000
Total	\$ 126,000	\$ 29,000	\$ 9,500	\$ 5,500	\$ 170,000

Expansion Programs

					<u>Total</u>
(1)Expand SOS Substance	\$ -	\$ 14,200	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 14,200
(2)Fifth Dist. Truancy Court			\$ 2,000		\$ 2,000
Total	\$ -	\$ 14,200	\$ 2,000	\$ -	\$ 16,200

Total Allocation	\$ 192,600	\$ 52,525	\$ 19,085	\$ 5,790	\$ 270,000
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- (1) Expand Status Offender program to offer substance abuse assessments
 (2) Early intervention for fifth district truancy court

Balanced Approach

- “It is the policy of the state of Idaho that the juvenile corrections system will be based on the following principles: **accountability, community protection; and competency development** ...the court shall impose a sentence that will protect the community, hold the juvenile accountable for his actions, and assist the juvenile in developing skills to become a contributing member of a diverse community.”